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COMMENT OF THE DAY

COLOMBO PLAN

THE meeting of the Consultative Committee of the Colombo Plan, the ninth in the series, was business-like and it surveyed a record of encouraging progress. Countries now taking part in the Plan cover most of South and Southeast Asia and the communiqué of the Saigon meeting reports that in the whole region there has been a steady economic development during the past year with food and mining production showing a steady increase while industrial output is also expanding all the time.

The communiqué contained one key sentence which is both heartening and which also makes precise problems of the next stage. "Problems remaining," it says, "do not arise from static or stagnating economic conditions; rather they are problems arising out of dynamic growth and expansion."

The chief of these problems is that with growing speed of development, demand for capital has increased in an unprecedented way and it has been intensified by recent technological advances.

Private capital has certain incidental advantages as it traditionally carries with it practical experience in the selection of these projects most likely to succeed and in the best manner of carrying them out. It also brings with it a wide range of know-how and technical skill so that investment in private capital may not only lead to increased production but also to promoting local enterprise and talent.

The communiqué comments on steps being taken to attract this private capital into a general effort of comprehensive economic advance. But the basic problem is to overcome fears about security of investment and to adapt administrative and financial procedures so as to remove legitimate complaints.

A BIAS

IN the past some Colombo Plan countries have had a bias in favour of raising finance by government arrangements, but the art of making an economic policy is to adapt it to changing circumstances. Fortunately most of the Colombo countries have shown realism in analysing conditions of the moment.

Looking ahead the communiqué reports that different governments are giving special priority to projects which will increase food supply. This will not only feed the growing populations but it will also reduce the need for imports of food-stuffs, prevent adverse balances of trade and payments and conserve precious resources for investment in new development.

The outstanding impression of this year's report is confidence and realism. There is sober realism in facing facts such as complications felt in nearly all countries from deteriorating terms of trade. But equally there is confidence based on a sense that the programmes of development have now achieved momentum which must carry them forward. And confidence, as the communiqué points out, is the factor highly favourable to further advance.

BIRTHDAY PRESENT: PREMIERSHIP



FELIX GAILLARD
Youngest head since Napoleon

Gaillard Made Youngest PM In French History

Paris, Nov. 6

Felix Gaillard became the youngest Premier in French history early today, with an official vote of 337 to 173 in the National Assembly.

Macmillan Speaks Bluntly

London, Nov. 5. Premier Harold Macmillan said today he still believes peaceful co-existence is possible and desirable but events since the Five Power Geneva meetings in 1955 "have not been re-assuring."

He said, "I myself do not regret the talks that we had with the four powers at Geneva. I still believe that peaceful co-existence is possible and desirable but I must frankly say that events since those Geneva meetings have not been re-assuring."

Mr Macmillan was making the traditional first Government speech on the occasion of the state opening of Parliament. Mr Macmillan said bluntly, "The plain fact is that the Communist doctrine—which has never been repudiated and often acted upon—calls for the eventual overthrow of everything we understand by freedom and democracy."

"The resources of the Soviet Union, her allies and her satellites are very great. They are under a central direction. That is a great advantage. The power bent upon the mastery of the world."

ATTAIN AIMS

Mr Macmillan said that the countries of the free world are stronger in material resources, manpower and skill. "But the free world has not such a central direction as the Communist power possesses."

Referring to his Washington talks with President Eisenhower, Mr Macmillan said they had reached agreement on how the free world could be put in a better position to attain its aims.

The Prime Minister also touched on the "troubled and baffling problem of Cyprus." He said, "Throughout the summer we have been engaged in diplomatic exchanges with both the Turkish and the Greek Governments, although for a variety of reasons we have not made much progress. We are continuing our efforts."—United Press.

US To Send Up Satellite Next Week?

New York, Nov. 5. The US Mutual Broadcasting System today quoted a "leading scientist" as saying the United States planned to send up its first earth satellite next week.

The scientist was described as an expert on insects but was not further identified. The broadcast said: "The tip came into the Mutual newsroom at (station) Philadelphia." The News Bureau in Washington then checked a high Pentagon (Defence Department) official for confirmation or denial and "the Pentagon spokesman said their records continued to show that plans to launch our first satellite in December, as announced by President Eisenhower, still hold."—China Mail Special.

REACTIONS TO NEW GOVERNMENT

Washington, Nov. 6. United States officials and Western diplomats tonight expressed warm gratification at the French National Assembly's approval of Mr Felix Gaillard as France's new Premier.

A senior State Department official said the United States was very pleased on two grounds: firstly, that the long French political crisis had come to an end; and secondly, that Mr Gaillard had received such a degree of support as to suggest that France would be in good shape to meet its national and international problems.

Diplomatic quarters hailed Mr Gaillard's success. They said there seemed every prospect that France would be able to play a major role in the projected pool of Western scientific and technological resources.

In this connection, diplomats said the confidence vote paved the way for full French participation in next month's "summit" Atlantic Council meeting in Paris.

BONN

In Bonn, M. Felix Gaillard's investiture as France's new Prime Minister was greeted with satisfaction in Bonn political quarters.

M. Gaillard, though not well known in West Germany, is certain to enjoy a large measure of goodwill from the West German Government, who had keenly watched his attempts to stabilise the French economy, diplomatic observers said.

There had been growing uneasiness here at the fact that France was without a government for such a long time in a period when world events were moving rapidly.

NEW YORK

In New York, United Nations diplomats tonight welcomed the end of the French Government crisis and privately wished Mr Gaillard a successful administration.

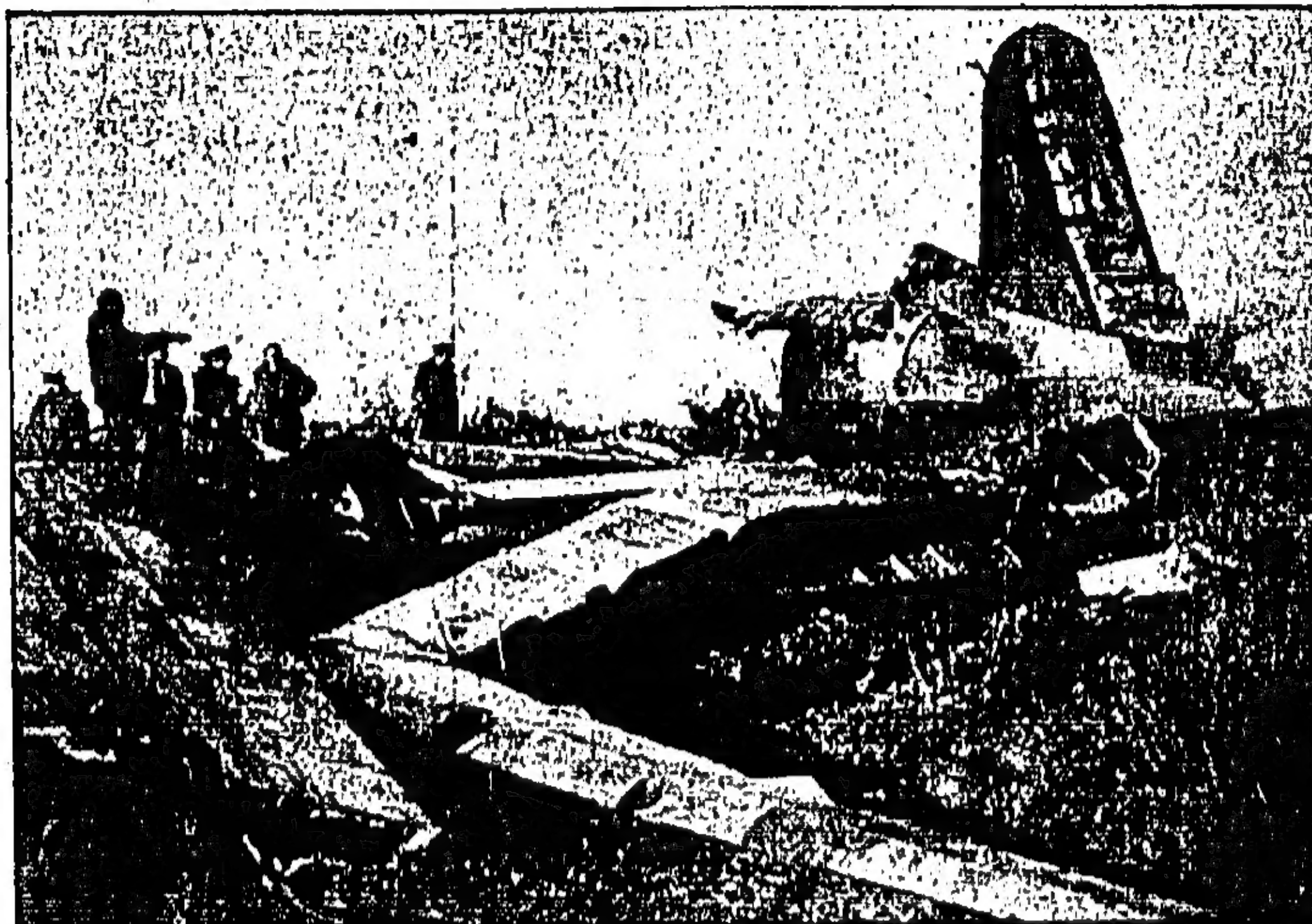
There was general Western satisfaction that Mr Christian Pineau would remain as Foreign Minister. He is well known in the United Nations, though he has been unable to attend the current General Assembly because of the political crisis in Paris.

In London, news of the successful formation of a new French Government by the young French Radical leader, M. Felix Gaillard, received a warm immediate welcome in diplomatic quarters here tonight.—China Mail Special.

Wagner Wins

New York, Nov. 5. The Democratic incumbent, Robert F. Wagner, claimed victory in New York City's mayoralty election at 9:15 p.m. (0215 GMT) today. He said he understood he had scored the biggest victory of any administration in the City's history. Mr Wagner 47, who learned about politics at the knee of his father, the late New Deal Senator Robert F. Wagner, pitted experience and his record against charges of graft and corruption from 58-year-old hotel-man Christenberry, a political newcomer.—United Press.

ALL WERE KILLED IN THIS CRASH



US Tries To Keep USSR In Disarmament Commission

New York, Nov. 5.

The United States and the Soviet Union were reported tonight to have agreed on a plan to increase the United Nations Disarmament Commission by ten members, thus clearing the way for the Russian's return to negotiations.

Yesterday, the Soviet Union announced that it would take no further part in the Commission or its Sub-committee unless more states were brought in.

Britain and Canada also were understood to be in favour of the expansion plan, but France was said to be holding out, though informed sources said they expected that she, too, would go along—particularly now that her government crisis had been solved.

The Western Big Three, with the Soviet Union and Canada, make up the Commission Sub-committee, which reached a stalemate after five and a half months of talks in London this year.

ENVISAGE

The plan to increase the Commission by ten members was understood to be the result of a move by India and Canada shortly after Mr Vasily Kuznetsov, Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, announced in the Political Committee yesterday that the Russians would boycott future Commission and

Sub-committee meetings "in their present composition."—Reuter.

Moon Eclipse Visible Here Tomorrow

Providing weather conditions are favourable, a total eclipse of the moon will be visible in Hong Kong tomorrow night, the Director of the Royal Observatory, Dr J. E. M. Watts, said today.

The earth's shadow will appear on the moon's surface at 8:45 pm Hong Kong Standard Time and will be total at 10:32 pm the eclipse will be total.

"The totality will last 20 minutes and the earth's shadow will then grow less until it disappears from the surface of the moon at ten and a half minutes past midnight," Dr Watts added.

During the period of the total eclipse, the moon will be high in the south-eastern part of the sky.

PAMIR'S SISTER SHIP—PASSAT IN DISTRESS OFF AZORES

Amsterdam, Nov. 5. The sailing ship *Passat*, sister ship of the ill-fated *Pamir*, radioed for urgent assistance today after her cargo shifted as she sailed east of the Azores.

The *Passat* radioed that her cargo had shifted in her holds, causing her to list badly. The Dutch coastal radio station at Scheveningen, which picked up the SOS, said the *Passat* gave her position as 41.30 north 17.00 west.

ILL-FATED

The *Passat* is owned by the *Pamir* Foundation of Lubeck, which also owned the ill-fated *Pamir*.

The point at which the *Passat* radioed for assistance was only a few hundred miles from the spot where the *Pamir* was hit by an Atlantic gale on Sept. 27. The *Pamir* sank, all but six of the 60 persons aboard drowning.

The 16,989-ton New Zealand liner *Rangitiki* radioed that it was making for the *Passat*'s position approximately 200 miles from the Spanish coast and hoped to be there around 0700 GMT. No other ships reported themselves in the area.—United Press.

Washington, Nov. 5. President Eisenhower will make a highly important speech on radio and television on Thursday night, the White House spokesman announced today.—France-Press.

FLY WITH THE PILOTS WHO FLY THE WORLD



TWA CAPTAIN PHARES McFERRON, photographed here in Paris, fills his spare time with hobbies. He golfs in the respectable mid-seventies, is a canny deep-sea fisherman and enjoys swimming with his wife and two teen-age daughters in their Glendale, California, backyard pool. His son, a Marine Corps pilot, occasionally whips him in chess, but has a long way to go to match his father's flying experience. Captain McFerron, with over 4 million miles in the air, is TWA's brand of pilot, the kind of man you like to have in command.

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LUCKY JIM

Dixon sets to work on the burned blankets

—HOLES, HE REASONS AS HE WIELDS A RAZOR BLADE, CAN BE BLAMED ON MOTHS...

SOMEWHERE in the house someone was singing. Jim Dixon lay prostrate on his bed, and consigned the singer to a horrible and super-heated hell.

Without a trace of pride, he realised he had the most gigantic hangover of his career. A dusty thudding in his head made the scene before him beat like a pulse. His mouth contained the corpse of some small creature of the night. His bones ached. His nerve-ends throbbed. To open his eyes was the most exquisite agony.

Item by item, he took stock of his surroundings. The electric light was still burning. On the bedside table stood a larger glass containing what looked like cherry brandy. He was wearing his shirt, his pyjama jacket, and his shoes.

With a supreme effort, Dixon sat up. What he saw wrenched a cry of agony from his dry lips. The cigarette of the night before had done its work well. The blankets and sheets that covered him looked as though they had been scattered with a stick of small incendiary bombs.

Incredulously, Dixon fingered the charred holes. Some of the fabric came away in his fingers. The burns were deep, distinct, and plentiful. Dixon closed his eyes, and moaned softly. The previous 12 hours had produced nothing but disasters. He had antagonised Professor Welch, offended Mrs Welch, provoked Bertrand, and in-

PHILIP OAKES continues the story of the film adapted from the novel by Kingsley Amis

One idea led to another

MOVING with some caution, Dixon found a razor blade, and again inspected the blankets. Holes, he reasoned, could be blamed on moths. Big moths, perhaps; but without any trace of burning, who was to know?

With a concentration that made his head throb even more madly, he began to trim away the charred edges. The holes grew bigger, and, for a second, Dixon gave way to doubt. Then he thought of Mrs Welch. The razor blade flashed busily; the pile of charred pieces mounted on the floor.

Christine Callaghan was drinking her second cup of coffee when Dixon reached the dining room. She smiled and indicated a line of silver dishes on the side-

board. "There's bacon, eggs, and kidneys," she said.

Dixon flinched at the idea. "I'm not very hungry," he said. "You must feel awful," said Christine.

Dixon nodded dumbly. From one of the bedrooms came the sound of a vacuum cleaner.

Dixon leapt to his feet. "The maid!" he gasped. Christine sipped her coffee. "What's wrong with her?"

"Nothing," babbled Dixon. "It's just that... well, I had a fire in my room last night."

"Fire?" said Christine blankly.

"Cigarette," explained Dixon. "There's a hole in the sheet, and two blankets."

Christine put down her cup quietly. "How awful for you. What will Mrs Welch say?"

Dixon rolled his eyes ceiling-wards in silent agony. "Perhaps I could help," said Christine.

Eagerly Dixon seized the chance. "Would you? If you could just look at it. It's sort of... a woman's job."

Christine thought Dixon was a wonderful girl. She had remade the bed, with the ravaged bedclothes at the bottom. And even when she had been seen leaving his bedroom by Margaret Peel, she had not turned a hair.

For the time being, the emergency was over, but with mounting urgency, Dixon knew that he must leave the Welch household before his crimes were discovered.

When Atkinson telephoned, he saw his way out. "Mother!" he bellowed into the mouthpiece. "You're really here. And Dad!"

Suspiciously, a battery of Welch eyes watched him. "Right away," roared Dixon, with a cheerfulness he hardly felt. "I'll be with you in half an hour."

"My parents," he told Mrs Welch. "They've ar-

THE STORY SO FAR: Jim Dixon is on trial as a junior history lecturer at a red-brick university. But however much he tries to impress Professor Welch, the head of his department, something goes wrong. The professor walks in on an unorthodox history tutorial; Jim insults the daughter of the new Chancellor; then drunkenly breaks into the wrong bedroom. He gets his face slapped, staggers off to his own room, and falls asleep as his cigarette begins to burn a hole in Mrs. Welch's mattress.

rived quite unexpectedly, I'm afraid I shall have to go."

His bag was already packed. In two minutes time he was scudding down the drive and into the main road. He felt like an escaped murderer.

By 10 o'clock the next morning, Dixon knew that he had not got away with it. As OC flowers and bunting for the Installation Day decorations, he had more than enough troubles for one man. But the moment that he heard the voice on the telephone

"What number do you want? The University? I'm afraid you've made a mistake. United Dairies."

—its insistent ringing from the Porter's Lodge could not be ignored — he acknowledged the grim truth, that for James Dixon Esquire, troubles bred like rabbits.

"This is Mrs Welch speaking," said the voice on the line, "and that, I believe, is Mr Dixon. I have just been looking at my sheets and blankets."

Dixon held the receiver away from his ear as if it had stung

him. His eyes dilated in fear and frenzy. Desperately he screwed up his mouth and spoke with a thick accent. "I'm afraid you've made a mistake. Madam," he said. "We have no Mr Dixon here. What number did you want? The University? This is the United Dairies."

Gently he replaced the telephone, and bolted out into the quadrangle. Margaret Peel was waiting for him. Hugging a hideous wooden shield, she looked like a probationary member of the Valkyries. "Can you tell me where to put this James?" she demanded.

"I certainly can," snapped Margaret. Margaret gasped in outrage, and Dixon was instantly contrite. "I'm sorry," he said. "I don't know where I am this morning. Decorations, the lecture—the lot."

"I thought," said Margaret, "that you might have an apology to make."

Dixon frowned. "Who to?" Margaret glared at him, furiously. "To me," she said. "How do you think I feel? How would any girl feel after being compromised?"

"Compromised?" murmured Dixon. "Who's been compromised?"

MARGARET stepped back a pace as though Dixon had been transformed into a toad. "I think you're horrible... vile," she hissed.

Hysterically, she began to sob. "Keep away from me... you fiend," she shrieked.

Dixon looked around him in sudden panic. There was Bertrand, just within earshot. Dixon tried to meet his contemptuous glance with a smile, but it was a dismal failure.

Artistically, thought Bertrand, the decorations lacked imagination. There were archways made of bunting. There were small



shrubs in wooden boxes. And the quadrangle was pink as a nursery, with pots of hydrangeas. "That's how they grow," explained the contractor. "Just pink and blue."

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BERTRAND felt the surge of inspiration. "You've got blue," he demanded. "Well, then, let's have some blue. Great pools of blue. Here — and here..."

The contractor shook his head. "Can't do that, sir. The blue's booked for the Young Conservatives at three o'clock. Can't risk pink with that crowd."

Bertrand jammed his thumbs in the armpits of his waistcoat. "My good man," he brayed. "By that time the ceremony will be over, and the Young Conservatives can reassure themselves with any symbol they choose."

Briefly the contractor tried to assess how important Bertrand was. Then he gave up. His order book flipped open.

"Just tell us what you want," he said.

At 2.25, the Installation ceremony began. And five minutes later, the contractor's lorry called for the hydrangeas.

From the common-room window, Dixon witnessed the start of a tragedy. Rooted to the spot, he saw brawny men storm across the quadrangle, and then sturm back their arms full of blue hydrangeas.

Dixon sprang into action. With his gown flapping behind him, like the wings of a demented bat, he tore down the staircase and out into the shrubbery.

"Leave the hydrangeas alone," he bawled ineffectually.

Wheeling round in search of help, he collided with a workman walking blindly behind a large clump of blue blossoms. The pot crashed to the ground and earth and broken pottery littered the quadrangle.

Wildly, Dixon tried to remove the debris. But he only succeeded in adding to the confusion. From all parts of the quadrangle came the detonation of bursting hydrangea pots.

Dixon grabbed the contractor's elbow. "What's going on?" he howled.

"Got to get them away," said the contractor. "I told the other chap—the one with the beard."

Murderously, Dixon recognised the description of Bertrand. "But what did you listen to him for?" he pleaded. "Don't you see—we haven't even started our procession yet!"

Compassionately, the contractor nodded across the quadrangle, to where the Principal, Professor Welch, and Sir Hector Gore-Urquhart stood hemmed in by a litter of broken pottery and willing hydrangeas.

"Not started?" he said. "You have now, son!"

TOMORROW

Jim gets a black eye
London Express Service

NEWS FROM BRITAIN

Liberal Lesson

by Peter Burgoyne

PUTTING it mildly, Britain's newspapermen were surprised. At a Washington reception Prince Philip had told American reporters that in Britain newspapermen could talk to him as easily as they were doing in the U.S.A. "If they feel like it."

This was a completely revolutionary picture of palace-press relations. And it was good to know that the Queen's husband felt this way about reporters.

But in dropping what was a bombshell to London journalists, Prince Philip had apparently overlooked one very vital factor. British newspapermen have never been able to get near enough the Royal Family to gauge their approachability.

For between the Royal Family and the fourth estate has stood the so-far unbroken barrier of the palace press office, headed by 40-years-old Commander Richard Colville, C.V.O., D.S.C., Royal Navy (retired).

Colville comes of a naval family and is a living monument to the Royal Navy's traditional reputation as the "silent service." As a leading London newspaper observed this week, "He sees his own job in terms of telling the newspapers as little as he possibly can."

I know of one London reporter who asked the palace press office what the Queen had worn to an investiture and was told: "That is a private matter."

The job of royal press secretary is a tricky one. Ideally, he should be able to judge and recommend to the Royal Family the maximum accessibility consistent with regal dignity. And he should have the confidence of both palace and press.

For a long time newspapermen in London have maintained that this job should be held by a respected senior journalist who knows that in "covering" the Royal Family, newspapers are filling a very legitimate public demand.

A Buckingham Palace equivalent of the White House press secretary is what is needed.

Pet Profit

One of the most prodigious chroniclers of the contemporary scene in Britain is an independent body called Political and Economic Planning.

Its Council of Management includes many famous names, and the subjects it has tackled in its admirable broadsheets range from automation to philately.

Its latest spot of delving into the British way of life is called "Economies of Domestic Pets." In cold facts and figures it highlights the Briton's extraordinary love of dumb animals.

Some of the facts: Britons keep in their homes, dogs and cats 3,000,000, 6,000,000 cats and 6,000,000 cage-birds.

Two out of every three British homes has some sort of animal pet.

Owners spend more than £50,000,000 a year feeding them.

The Government collects over £1,000,000 a year in dog licences.

Fifty different bodies concerned with animal welfare operate in Britain.

The export trade in pet dogs is worth about £1,000,000 a year.

Cats are the favourite pets of the "working class"; the well-to-do favour dogs.

Wall Writing

The by-election at Ipswich confirmed a prediction made some weeks ago. That Britain's Liberals might not be able to win an election for themselves, but that they could certainly lose it for the Tories.

When Ipswich went to the polls the Socialists held the seat (with a converted Liberal), down came the Tory share of the vote, and the Liberals' share went soaring.

Bewildered Tory candidate John Cobbold, when he learned the result, said, "The Liberal intervention affected me more than I thought it would."

Of the vote won by the Liberal candidate, two thirds came from the Tories, one third from the Socialists.

This column does not claim for itself any political prescience. The signs were there for all to see.

They are—

(1) That the number of disaffected Tories is growing because of the apparent abandoning of traditional Tory principles by the Conservative Party.

(2) That the people who go to the polls are the politically-interested who jealously cherish their right to vote, and who will vote, one way or the other.

(3) That the Liberal Party is the natural alternative for disaffected Tories.

With these facts you don't have to be any Nostradamus to guess what the eventual outcome will be unless the Conservative Party makes a strong stand on its traditional principles.

New Blues

Britain got a jolting reminder that there is more to social progress than new houses, bigger schools and glowing public health statistics.

It came with the revelation of yet another ill to bedevil Twentieth Century man — "Fragile Estate Nerveitis."

The name was coined by Dr Michael Young, Director of the Institute of Community Studies, and it appears that the symptoms are loneliness, worry, and a sense of futility as if all the fuss had gone out of life.

Dr Young reached his conclusions after following the progress of families from London's slummy Bethnal Green district to brand new housing estates.

He found that when the planners cleared a slum area they destroyed at the same time a way of life which was "numinous, rich, and immensely satisfying."

What most impressed Dr Young in Bethnal Green was the tremendous care lavished on old people by their children and other relatives.

All this goes by the board in the hygienic isolation of suburban housing estates. Troubles which, back in the old street, could be shared with the neighbours, have to be borne alone.

The result, said Dr Young, is that "there are few general practitioners on any housing estate in this country who do not realise that migration, of this particular kind gives rise to great problems of mental health."



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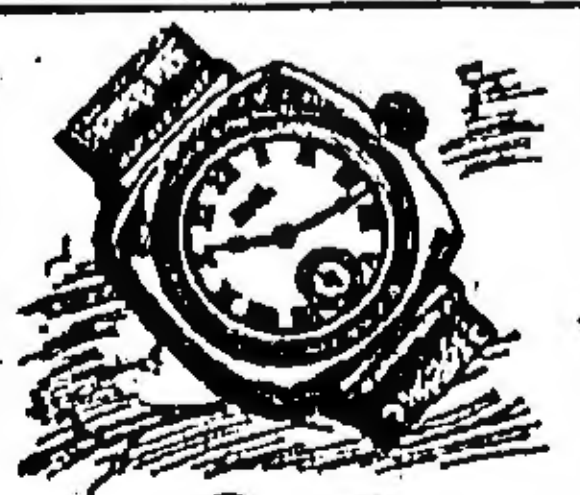
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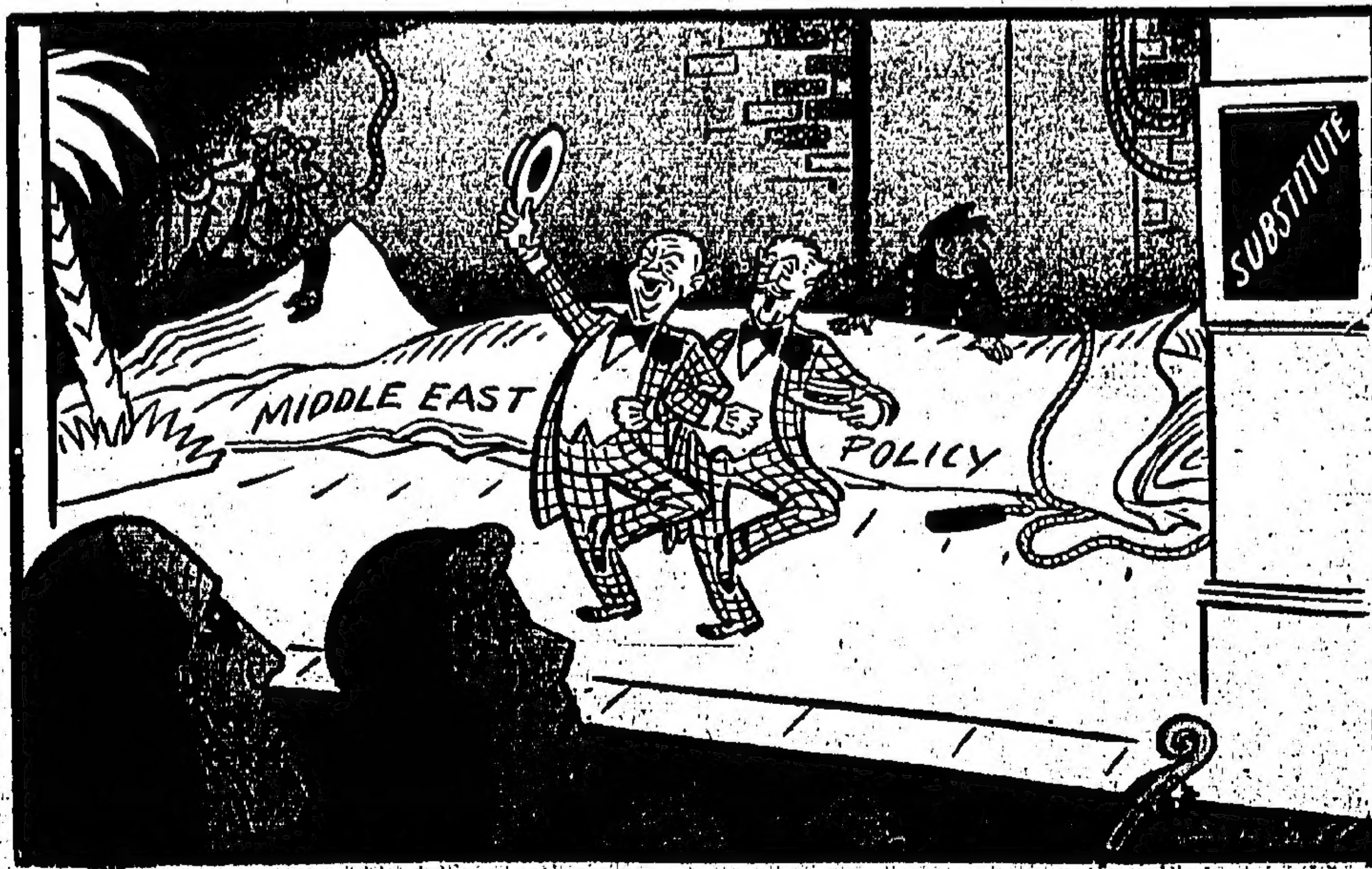
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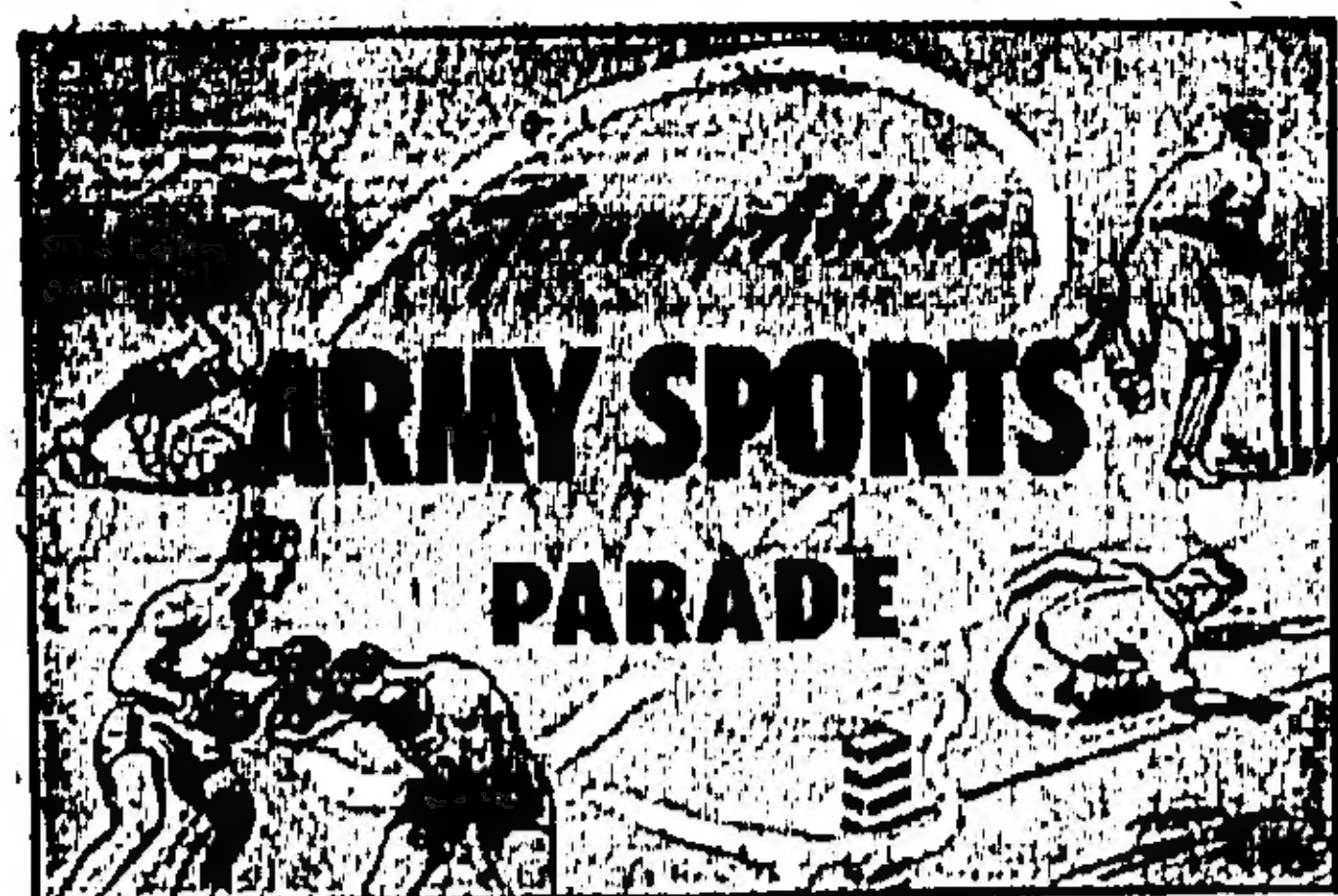
THE WORLD'S FIRST WATERPROOF WATCH CASE

This is the Rolex Oyster watch as worn by Mercedes Gleits when she swam the English Channel. Rolex announced this feat to the world on Nov. 20th, 1927. The watch holds strong even now, but then it was almost a miracle.



"DEAR OLD PALS, JOLLY OLD PALS..."

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Tommy Atkins is delighted this week to spotlight the achievements of the younger generation by featuring the many "chips off the old blocks" at present completing their education at the St. Georges Army School, Kowloon Tsai.

Entering the Hongkong Inter-Schools Swimming Championships, they more than held their own, and emerged from the cool waters of the new Olympic pool at Victoria Park the proud winners of the "B" grade Cassidy Cup, the "C" grade McLellan Cup, and the junior girls annexed the Heatherington Shield, while the school created three new records in the "B," "C," and Junior girls 4 x 50 metre relay races, besides being runners-up in the "D" and senior girls grades.

This is a quite remarkable achievement when the numbers available for selection by many other schools is considered, and when it is realised that the grades also lay down a high standard in keeping with the smaller Chinese children, and this automatically precludes many of the British scholars. For instance the "A" grade ages range from 17-20, and the Army school has very few in this group, the "B" grade 15-17 is limited to a height of 5 feet 4 inches, and the "C" under 13 to 5 feet.

These successes are due in no small part to the general enthusiasm and encouragement given by the Headmaster, Mr. Stuart Hill, B.A., to all sporting activities, and in particular to many hours of hard work put in by the Physical Educationists, Miss Pat Elliott, and Miss Davis-Jones, who besides teaching the arts of stroke swimming, have built up a pretty solid team spirit among the boys, and girls.

Short Distance

They are justly proud of the fact of the boys at school. They must be 98 per cent who can swim, and the girls are only a short distance away at 80 per cent.

The emphasis has been in team work rather than in finding and developing a few stars, and this policy has paid dividends, although stars have been forthcoming in the process, and there must be many proud parents about this week.

It is hoped to start off the Army boxing season with something new, and I think quite novel. In a lifetime of boxing, and having witnessed many tournaments, there has always been the "queer" novice, the man who stands head and shoulders above the others in his skills, and who, having won the tournament quite comfortably.

Your committee this season are going to enter a better name, an "absolute novice" competition and this will be for the chap who has never been in the ring before, and to make sure that one of these "odd" novices doesn't creep in, a committee will be in attendance to gently remove any gladiator who may have escaped the careful eye of unit boxing officers. Anyone entered will be automatically entered for a real "novice" tournament which will follow a few days later.

Into The Ring

The objects of this competition are to enter as many as possible into the ring and have each one of them clamber through the ropes knowing that the fellow in the opposite corner is just as much an apprentice as he is, and of course the referee will make sure that there is no "slaughter of the innocents" if the ringside adjudicating committee doesn't.

This is probably the best way of getting a large number of newcomers to experience the thrill of boxing in public, and it is certain that from the expected large entry, there will be at least one competitor who will want to continue in the sport, and after all it is the primary duty of every boxing board to get newcomers heavily interested.

With this knowledge it is hoped that a very large entry will be forthcoming and for record purposes the DOFT has tentatively set aside three days for the competition which will be held at the Victoria Hall, Transit Camp, Chatham Road, on November 27, 28 and 29.

Boxing Officers can do much to publicise this event and, by making in a large entry, they will be competing on a par with the professionals of these championships for the more strenuous and individual championship steps to come.

Absolute novice to FARELF Champion will be in one season may seem very far fetched, but it was nearly done last year by L/Cpl Bill Henderson RMP who won his weight in the novice tournament, and went on to win the Hongkong Individual Championship, and later journeyed down to Singapore only to return as the FARELF welterweight finalist, losing to Cpl Jim Lawson 17 Green Howards whom he had defeated earlier for the local title. All that is needed is immense determination and unbounded courage, plus a lot of hard work in the gym.

Novice Competition

The Novice competition proper will be held in December and it is the policy of the boxing committee to "show" boxing to as many centres as possible so this tournament will be conducted at Sek Kong, and again it is hoped that a very large entry will be produced.

In the meanwhile all units will be holding their own meetings to select the "wheat" from the "chaff", and I expect that all referees and judges will be fully employed.

Still on boxing, I have to report that the provision of training facilities in the Transit Camp has been very well received and quite a number of units and individuals are making full use of the opportunities, so much so that the Chairman, Major George Hodgling, is seriously considering adding extensively to the existing equipment. Any unit or individual who is unaware of this scheme and who would like to join in, a telephone call to QMSI 2, Kelly APC at Kowloon 85 will be all that is necessary, and in addition to having a training centre, the services of an experienced boxing instructor is also available.

Finally on boxing, plans are nearing finalisation for the opening tournament of the season, a charity show in aid of a very deserving cause, the Hongkong Sea School Stanley.

This will be at the Southern Playground on Saturday, November 16, commencing at 2030 hrs., so book that date in your diary now. The matchings are not yet completed, but will include some local boys, together with old favourites and some newcomers from all these Services, and this column will attempt to give fuller details next week.

Your Chance

For those who have watched films of Bannister, Chataway, Pirie, or one of the many other British athletic stars, here is your chance to start on the long road to athletic fame.

The HK Amateur Athletic Association will be holding the season's first NOVICE meeting at the Caroline Hill track on Sunday, Nov. 17th, commencing at 1000 hrs and lasting some 3½ hours.

The full definition of a NOVICE is lengthy and rather complicated, but briefly it applies to those who have never won or been placed in championship events either in Hongkong or by other country, and approximately to the standard of a UK County Championship win or placing.

For anyone in doubt it is the wisest course to state your case to the Hon Recorder HKAAA, P.O. Box 280.

The usual track events from 100-metres to 3,000 are being contested with two hurdle events 110 and 400 metres, plus three jumps, long, high and hop, step, for the strong men, the shot, discus and javelin should exercise their muscles, while the HKWVA have put in a mile sprinter for the heel and toe merchants.

Still hoping that one day we may see some Service ladies in action I report a 100 and 200 metres sprint, with high and long jump plus a shot putt for the fair sex.

FLOODLIT RUGBY GAME TONIGHT

Result Of Club-Police Encounter Will Count In Pre-Christmas Tourney

By "PAK LO"

Tonight there will be a floodlit rugger match on the Club ground between the Club and the Police, commencing at 6.00 p.m. This is one of the fixtures that were postponed on October 12 when the Colony trials were held, and the result of this match will therefore count in the pre-Christmas Tournament.

It is quite some time since we had a floodlit rugger match and this one promises to be an excellent affair, for the Police are at full strength while the Club are still awaiting the return of most of their players from Singapore. O'Kelly and Penman have already returned but only O'Kelly will be playing this evening, so the two teams are reasonably well matched.

The Club is the stronger in the pack, and should give Steward a plentiful supply of the ball both from the set pieces and the lineouts. On Saturday, Dawson and Steward showed that they could combine favourably, and there is no reason why they should not repeat their success again tonight.

The Club three are very fast on the wings but so much depends on the centres and Dawson. To these three players who if they combine can easily win the game for the Club I have only three words of advice: "Pass, pass, pass."

The Police forwards are likely to be very dangerous in the loose where they excel, and Steward may find difficulty in getting the ball away under the attention of Riech, the Police scrum half, and the two-wing forwards, Walker and Bryan.

The Police three are fast but their passing is still their weak point, especially as they are still ballooning their passes and they will have their usual trouble in getting past O'Kelly.

Even Game

On the whole then a fairly even game with the Club having another two points to their total, thus taking pride of place in the Tournament Table.

Incidentally there seems to be no signs of activity from the Services to play off their postponed fixtures, especially RAE Mainland who have played the least number of games to date, and as a result are languishing at the bottom of the Table.

THE TEAMS

Club: O'Kelly, Cooke, Elkins, Kirkwood, Inghis, Dawson, Steward, Howe, Shaffer, Whiteley, Ross, Carpenter, Miller, Wright, Galet.

Police: Johnstone, McNeven, Stevens, Scott, Brown, Sievin, Riech, Shelly, Purves, Walsh, Forsyth, Miller, Walker, Darkin, Bryn.

Hardly Disputable
In this paper yesterday there was a column arguing against the reasons why Britain could shoulder rugby for the Olympics. In the article the author pointed out that in years to come British rugby enthusiasts might have to take a lesson in new types of attack from the Russians or Rumanians.

This may or may not be true, but I venture to suggest that the main reason will be because the Russians or Rumanians or whoever these future enthusiasts will be have altered the Laws of the Game to make a brighter, more attractive type of rugby.

That rugby could be more attractive surely no one but the die-hards will dispute. How is a very different matter. It is a very different matter that would improve the game both here and at home. Is a reduction of the number of lineouts.

This is easily accomplished by the inclusion of a rule from the Rugby League which forbids kicking for touch outside one's own 25, unless the ball has bounced in the field of play.

This would mean that when a full back kicks and fails to find touch the opposing full back, instead of kicking the ball back to him... how often have we watched as this kicking goes on and on and on... would have to try and open up the game by running and passing the ball to someone else.

It would also mean that in a three move the ball would have to be sent back across the three line when it had reached one wing, or at worst, be cross

kicked for the forwards. This would mean the ball passing backwards and forwards across the three, a feat which I have never as yet seen accomplished in Hongkong.

For the rule appears to be, at least in this Colony, get the ball out to the wing... even this is not always adhered to... and let the winger either score, die with the ball, or kick for touch. Certainly the kick for touch if it succeeds makes some ground, but for a spectator it is boring, for a lineout results and all too often a scrum follows. The result is that the game bogs down for quite some time.

Some die-hard will now point out at this point that rugby is a game for the players, and not for the spectators. This of course is one of those fallacies

that have gone on for years and years. At home a club needs spectators to support it, financially and otherwise, and the same is just as true here. The only civilian club here is supported by not only its own efforts to gather money but by its companion section, the soccer players. Is this a reason why rugby should not be made more interesting for spectators? Certainly not!

Ask almost any rugby player in this Colony and he will give you his own version of how the game can and should be improved. The rest is up to the players themselves. The official channels are always open for suggestions or improving the game, and the sooner a start is made the better it will be from everyone's point of view.

World Weightlifting Championships

OFFICIALS PICK RUSSIA AS FAVOURITE TO WIN TEAM COMPETITION

Teheran, Nov. 5.
Officials today picked Russia as the favourite to win the team competition in the World Weightlifting Championships which will open here on Friday.

Athletes from most of the 22 entries—among them the Japanese team—have arrived here for the five-day muscle show that also features the "Mr Universe" competition.

Russia and the United States were considered to be about equally strong on the basis of early entries, but the scales were tipped in favour of Russia when it was learned that Olympic Champion Charles Vinel and others have withdrawn from the American team, leaving comprising only Featherweight Isaac Berger, Lightweight Pete George, Middleweight Tommy Kono and Light-Heavyweight Jim George. The Russians sent 10 musclemen, including three Olympic Champions.

International Weightlifting Federation President Bruno Myberg of Finland and Britain's Oscar State, who is in charge of the technical organization, agreed that Russia will win at least three and possibly four of the seven individual titles at stake, and thus qualify for the team trophy.

Those Favoured

They said the pre-championship favourites were: Bantamweight Mahmoud Namjou of Iran, Featherweight Evgeny Milayev of Russia, Lightweight Victor Buchnev of Russia, Kono, Jim George or Russian Lightweight Trofim Lomakin, Middle-heavy Arkady Vorobyev of Russia, and Argentine Heavyweight Humberto Selveti.

Namjou, 44-year-old "Pocket Hercules" was favoured for the "Mr Asia" title, and Kono for the "Mr Universe" award, they said.

Both Myberg and State said the preparations for the meet were the finest they have seen anywhere. The Tehran University Gym was perfectly suited for weightlifters, they said, and there is no doubt that the 3,102 seats of the arena will be sold out every night.—United Press.



Colony Chess Championship

Four veterans and two newcomers to local chess will contest the 1956/57 Colony Chess Championship title. No former Colony Champion is in the tournament, but all four veterans—Karel Weiss, Eugene Taus, A. Biriukoff and To Yu-lau—are strong players and both newcomers, E. Krouk and C. Tan, are also regarded as stronger senior players by Hongkong standards.

It should be a close fight for the Colony Championship. If anyone can be regarded as likeliest to win the tournament, it is Karel Weiss, but he is only a shade stronger than the others.

The draw (the player having the white pieces first) is as follows:

November 7—E. Krouk v. To Yu-lau, E. Taus v. C. Tan, K. Weiss v. A. Biriukoff.

November 14—E. Taus v. E. Krouk, K. Weiss v. To Yu-lau, A. Biriukoff v. C. Tan.

November 21—E. Krouk v. K. Weiss, A. Biriukoff v. E. Taus, C. Tan v. To Yu-lau.

November 28—A. Biriukoff v. E. Krouk, C. Tan v. K. Weiss, To Yu-lau v. E. Taus.

December 5—E. Krouk v. C. Tan, To Yu-lau v. A. Biriukoff, E. Taus v. K. Weiss.

December 12—To Yu-lau v. E. Krouk, C. Tan v. E. Taus, A. Biriukoff v. K. Weiss.

December 19—E. Krouk v. E. Taus, To Yu-lau v. K. Weiss, C. Tan v. A. Biriukoff.

January 2—K. Weiss v. E. Krouk, E. Taus v. A. Biriukoff, To Yu-lau v. C. Tan.

January 9—E. Krouk v. A. Biriukoff, K. Weiss v. C. Tan, E. Taus v. To Yu-lau.

January 16—C. Tan v. E. Krouk, A. Biriukoff v. To Yu-lau, K. Weiss v. E. Taus.

The Rules

The following are the rules of the competition:

(1) All games to commence on the dates specified at 6.30 p.m. sharp when clocks will be set to run unless otherwise agreed upon and notified to the Hon. Secretary.

(2) All winners are kindly requested to notify the Hon. Secretary of the result of the match as soon as possible (Tel. Office 32023 or Residence 62178).

(3) All winners must, and all other players will if so requested, hand in to the official in charge a correct and legible record of the game immediately upon completion.

(4) Competitors are responsible for informing themselves of Kowloon Chess Club By-Laws which govern all match games played. These By-Laws, based on International Rules (FIDE) are available at the Club premises on request.

The tournament judges will be Messrs. K. M. A. Barnett, B. C. Field, G. S. Coxhead, E. Clausen, Dr. J. Poldy and Mr. A. E. Goines.

I SAY, RUGGAH CHAPS, DON'T SIT IT OUT!

Says DESMOND HACKETT

London.

If Rugby Union is not included in the Olympic Games come 1960, then you can blame this on the Rugby Unions of England, Ireland, Scotland, and Wales.

These local unions who have regarded the game as their personal property, and a game played by other nations only under a benevolent lease-lend agreement, have turned an abrupt thumbs down on the hold plan.

The idea of putting on this modern ball game as a new Olympic sport in Rome, 1960, came from the Italians.

Among those ready, willing, and exceedingly able to scum down in an exciting new World Series were the Australians—who muscled into town recently—New Zealand, South Africa, France, Spain, Russia, Rumania, and Czechoslovakia.

PRETTY BAD SHOW

One hesitates to speak lightly, or even at all, of the splendidly muscled, heavily scarred, pint-swaggering athletes who play "ruggah." But I feel that these reluctant Olympic heroes are putting up a pretty bad show.

There is a "can't be done old chap" yawning line of dismissal.

They casually observed that during summer the old school ties bind them to the cricket greens of England.

I suppose the Scottish and Irish chaps scum and hack their way around the golf courses in the good old summer time. (Thinks: Where do Welsh players go in the summer time?)

And one and all ask: "But, my dear fellow, how on earth can we chaps get fit for a Rugby show in August? But how?"

They might ask the other chaps in France, Spain, Russia, etc., who have pretty well the same problem.

Sadly, damply remembering last August, this looks like an ideal month for polishing up the old Rugby routine.

Maybe I have not always cheered all the things the Rugby chaps have done, but I never thought I would find them lacking in fighting spirit.

DULL PARISH PUMP

What a dull parish pump attitude they have taken. Surely among these madly sporting isles sufficient bold citizens could be raised to blend themselves into four teams fit to show the rest of the world how Rugby Union—born and bred in England—should be played.

There would be some splutterings into the scotch and sodas of the old brigade if those Russian fellows won. And they could do. I know that they are hoping to get the best that Britain can raise—the incomparable Barbarians—to tour early next season.

Come chaps. It is still a long, long way from now to 1960. We can never lift up our heads if we sit this one out.

NEW SOUTH WALES CHAMPIONSHIPS

Twelve Overseas Stars To Clash With Australia's New Crop Of Top Players

Sydney, Nov. 5.

Twelve overseas stars from the United States, the Philippines, South Africa and Britain will clash with Australia's new crop of top players in the New South Wales Tennis Championships at Sydney's White City Courts from November 6-16.

The American Davis Cup squad, with the exception of Gardner Mulloy, are competing. The six Americans are: Davis Cup veteran Vic Seixas, 34, who is top-seeded overseas player; Herbie Flam, 28; Mike Green; Barry MacKay; team captain Billy Talbert and the squad's "baby", 19-year-old Ron Holmberg.

The Philippines will be represented by Davis Cupers Raymond Deyro and Felisimo Ampson and the brothers Eduardo and Miguel Domingo.

The Philippines play the United States in the first inter-zone semi-final of the Davis Cup at Adelaide on December 5-7, after competing in the New South Wales Championships and the South Australian title tournament at Adelaide on November 21-23.

Other overseas players in the White City tourney are South African Champion Trevor Fancutt and Britain's Miss Angela Mortimer who won the Queensland Women's Singles title at Brisbane last Saturday. Miss Mortimer also is favoured to win the New South Wales crown, currently worn by America's Miss Althea Gibson.

Southpaw Player

Blonde southpaw Neale Fraser, 24, and veteran Mervyn Rice, 27, also are expected to do well.

These five will be fighting for singles and doubles berths in Australia's Challenge Round Davis Cup team which will be picked at the conclusion of the New South Wales tourney.

In the Challenge Round at Koorbying Courts in Melbourne, Australia will meet the winner of the Philippines-United States-Belgium Inter-zone clashes.

Philippine Washer and Jacques Brichant, who form the Belgian Davis Cup team, are not competing in the Sydney tourney as they only arrive on November 10, heading straight for Brisbane's Milton Courts where they will play the Philippines-United States inter-zone win-ners.

Swedish star Ivan Davidson and Ulf Schmidt also were invited to compete for the New South Wales titles, but declined.—United Press.



FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION CUP DRAW

England Will Be Without Finney Against Ireland

Place Taken By Alan Acourt

London, Nov. 5. England will be without their most experienced forward, Tom Finney, who has a groin injury, when they meet Ireland in an international football match at Wembley Stadium tomorrow.

Finney today informed the England team manager, Mr. Walter Winterbottom, that his injury had not responded to treatment and that he would not be fit.

A Newcomer

His place at outside left will be taken by Alan Acourt, of Liverpool, who is a newcomer to full international football.

Despite the loss of Finney, however, England are strongly favoured to beat Ireland in a match which has not captured the imagination of soccer fans here and for which only 20,000 tickets have so far been sold.

England will be led by Bill Wright, of Wolverhampton Wanderers, who will be playing in his 34th full international match for his country—equalling the 43-year-old record of full-back Bob Crompton.

Only One Match

Wright, all of whose appearances have been made since the war, has missed only one match in 12 seasons of post-war international football.

England's prime strength lies in their half-back line of Wright, Duncan Edwards (Manchester United) and Ron Clayton (Blackburn Rovers), who paved the way to a 4-0 victory over Wales last month.

The strength of these players, combined with the evident lack of goal-scoring forwards in the Irish team, points to a clear-cut England victory.—Reuter.

Good Chance For Peterborough United To Survive This Year's First Round Proper

London, Nov. 5.

Peterborough United, the Non-League club who reached the Fourth Round of the Football Association Cup last season, have a good chance of surviving this year's First Round proper as the result of the draw made here today. They are at home to Torquay, the Division Three South team, who have been having an unsuccessful season so far.

Another important match will be at New Cross, London, where two London League clubs, Brentford and Millwall, will meet.

The Draw

The draw for the First Round proper of the Football Association Cup was made here today as follows:

(Matches to be played on November 10.)
Hartlepool United v. Prentiss; Tranmere Rovers v. Norton Woodseats; Wotton Albion v. Southport; Wigan Athletic v. Workington; Crook Town v. York City v. Chesterfield.

Hull City v. Crewe Alexandra; Bradford City v. Scarborough; Selby Town v. South Shields; Frickley Colliery; Stockport County v. Barrow; Chester v. Gateshead; Darlington v. Rochdale; Bishop Auckland v. Bury; Durham City v. Spalding United.

Mansfield Town v. Halifax; Town; Carlisle United v. Rhyl.

Sports Diary

TODAY
Badminton: Men's "A" Doubles Division: RAY St. Stephen v. Kim Tong v. Nan Shing.
Meeting: HKFA Management Committee Meeting at Sports Road, 6.45 p.m.; Fenwick v. "A" Belle "Black".
TOMORROW
Tennis: Colony Hard Court Tennis Championships: Men's Singles Semi-finals.

Willie Toweel Stops Spaniard In Ninth

London, Nov. 5. Willie Toweel, the South American and British Empire Lightweight Champion, gave a brilliant display in the Albert Hall tonight to defeat Jose Hernandez, Champion of Spain. Scottish referee Mr. Eugene Kenehan stopped the fight in the 9th round as blood gushed from the Spaniard's left eye. It was the South African's sixth fight in Britain. He has won each cleverly. The Springbok is looking for a crack at the World crown held by American Joe Brown. He did not lose a single round tonight in disposing of the Spaniard.—Reuter.

Three-Under-Par

California, Nov. 5. George Bayer, the world's longest hitter, finished the last three holes in 3-3-3 (the latter an eagle) to take the first-day lead with a three-under-par 69 in the 36-hole Apple Valley Invitational Golf Tournament today.—United Press.

"New Look" High Jumping Shoe At Work In China

Paris, Nov. 5. The Communist Chinese women's high jump champion, Miss Cheng Feng-yung, set up a new national record and the second best performance in the world this year when she cleared 1.75 metres (5 feet 8 7/8 inches) at the Peking sports meeting today, the New China News Agency reported.

The 20-year-old student failed in her attempt to break the official world record of 1.76 metres held by America's Mildred McDaniel.

Cheng Feng-yung's feat was the second best performance in the world this year. Rumania's Yolande Balos equalled the world record last month and Russia's Telsa Chenchik cleared 1.75 metres earlier this season.—France-Press.

What They Are

(The New China News Agency reported recently that Miss Cheng uses Russian-style thick-soled high jumping shoes, with a sole usually 1.18 inches thick under the jumper's take-off foot, which has caused a revolution in European high jumping.)

Already three Russians have cleared seven feet and the Czechoslovak, Polish, Hungarian and East German national records have been substantially improved upon.

Nor is the "New Look" jumping shoe, as the dozen of athletics correspondents, Italian Dr. Roberto Querciani, describes it, confined to jumpers on the eastern side of the Iron Curtain.

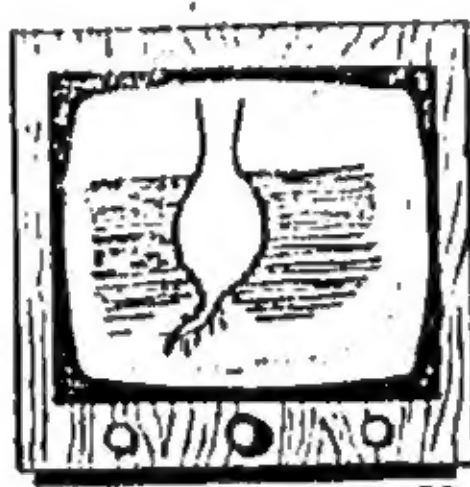
There has also been some extraordinary high jumping in Scandinavia, some of it quite definitely attributable to the "New Look" jumping shoe, and the most remarkable instance of the contribution to new ceilings of this footwear came from West German veteran Werner Bahr, who pushed up his West German record to 6 feet 7 1/2 inches.

His Best Ever

Said Bahr, who hadn't been over 6 feet 6 3/4 inches, his best ever, since 1954. "At my best, I am only good now for 1.90 metres (6 feet 6 3/4 inches) without these Russian shoes."

However, it appears that this built-up take-off shoe idea is not a new one and famous English coach Armand Valsie and former European record-holder Kalevi Kotkas both admit that some high jumpers used these as far back as the 1880s, though no one ever paid any particular attention to the matter until the Russians started clearing seven feet this year.

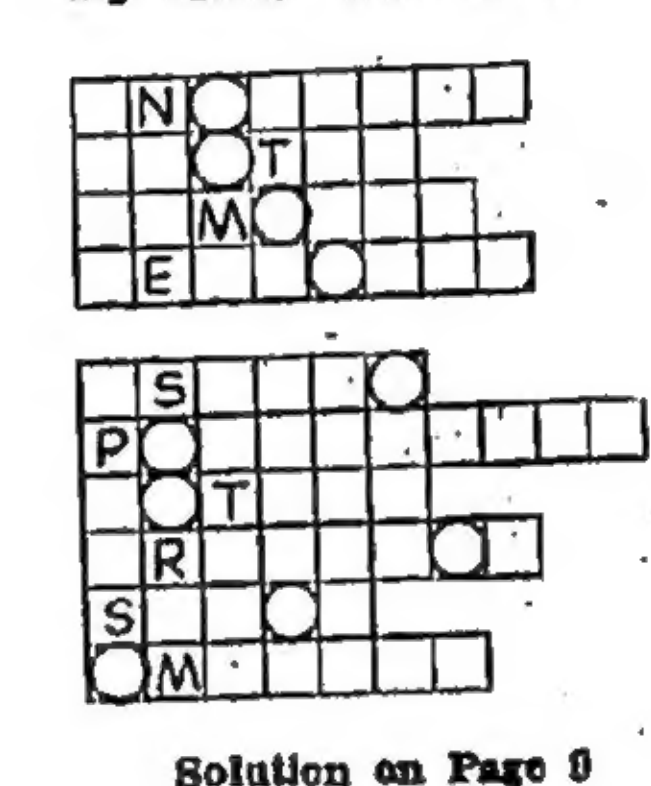
The Swedes claim that Bertil Holmgren, a 6 foot 3 inches high jumper without built-up shoes, has cleared "well over seven feet in practice using such shoes."



NAMESAKES

INSTRUCTIONS: Fill in the spaces against each of the clues below with a word related to my life. The letters in circles spell out my name. Who am I?

- 1 Wounds
- 2 Verise
- 3 Love affair
- 4 Didn't keep her hair on
- 5 Biblical name
- 6 Such an elopement
- 7 Not just talk
- 8 On the stage
- 9 Part of an act
- 10 Not reason



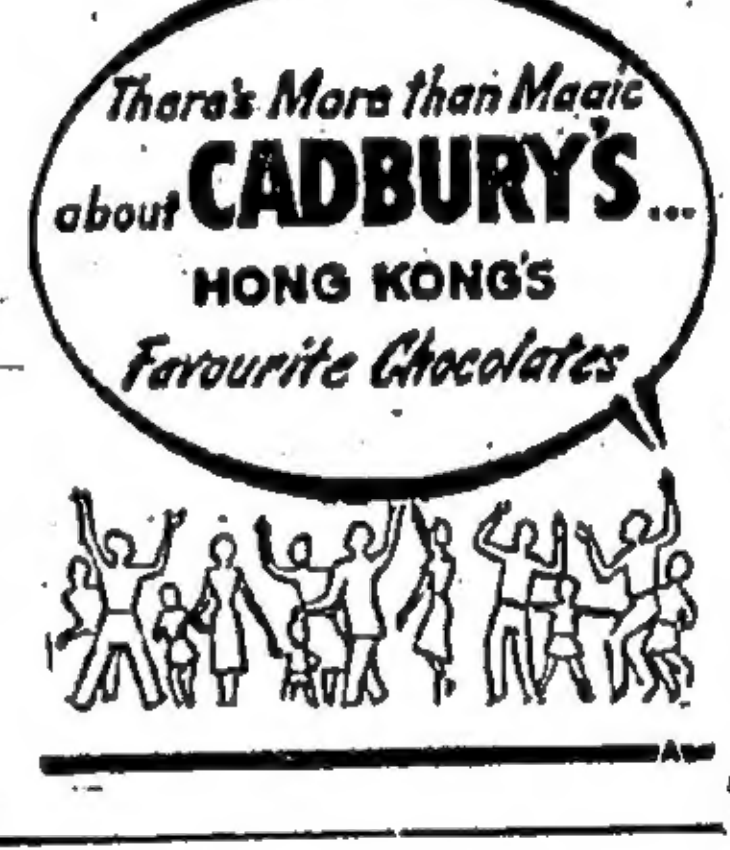
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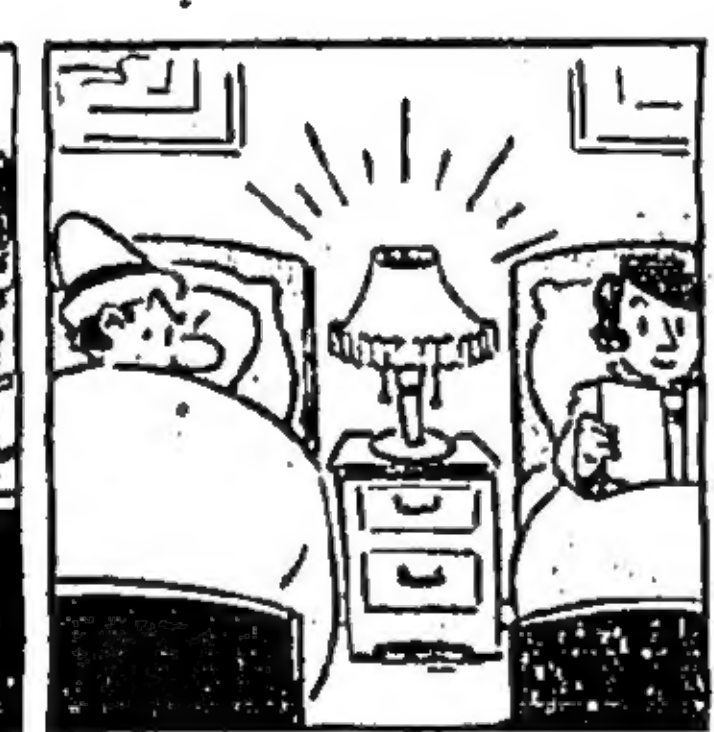


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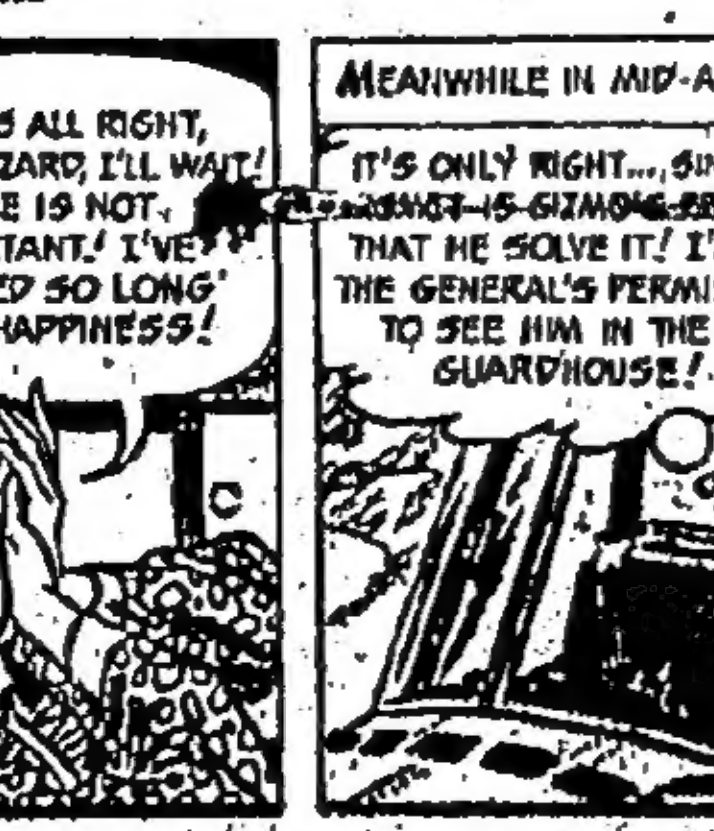
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HONG KONG KOWLOON

HONGKONG'S HELICOPTERS DUE HERE THIS MONTH

THE Hongkong Govern-
ment will soon be aided
by two Widgeon helicopters
in their task of maintaining
law and order in Hongkong.

The Hongkong Govern-
ment is having special land-
hulders installed in the heli-
copters, similar to the type
used by the military au-
thorities in Malaya for
operating over the jungles.

The Westland Aircraft
Limited, the makers of the
Widgeon, said the delivery of
the two helicopters will be
made this month. They will be
shipped to Hongkong and as-
sembled there.

All Purpose

The Widgeon is a general
purpose medium-sized heli-
copter which has been developed
from the versatile but smaller
Dragonfly and it incorporates
many new and improved design
and engineering features. It
received its Certificate of Air-
worthiness last year and was
recently on display at Farn-
borough.

It will soon go into service
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Ollenhauer Calls For Summit Meet

Bonn, Nov. 5.
West Germany's Socialists
called today for a sum-
mit conference of the
atom powers in a new
effort to reach world
disarmament.

The opposition Socialist plan
was introduced by the chairman,
Friedrich Ollenhauer, during the
domestic and foreign policy de-
bate that opened the first work-
ing session of the newly-elected
Bundestag.

Chancellor Konrad Adenauer's
Government speakers made no
immediate reply to the Socialist
proposal.

WORSENER

Helmut Krone, chairman of
the Christian Democratic Bund-
estag faction, said in a speech
preceding Herr Ollenhauer's
that his Party supported all
efforts toward disarmament, but
he pointed out that the Soviet
Union "has worsened the al-
ready existing crisis" with its
recent actions.

Herr Ollenhauer called on the
Government to urge its Western
allies to agree to the summit
meeting and to leave the ques-
tion of their success open.

"No one can guarantee the
success of such a conference for
certain," said Herr Ollenhauer.
"But in view of the present
world situation such an attempt
cannot be ignored."—United
Press.

Refused Bail

Jerusalem, Nov. 5.
Jerusalem District Court
Judge Moshe Peretz refused to
grant bail today to the young
man who injured four Israeli
Cabinet ministers by hurling
a bomb in Parliament last
Tuesday.

The youth, Moshe Ben Yacov
Dug, was being held for trial
for the bomb-hurling that
seriously wounded Religious
Affairs Minister Moshe Shapira,
Premier David Ben-Gurion,
Foreign Affairs Minister Golda
Meir and Transport Minister
Moshe Carmel were all hurt.

All are recovering—United
Press.

Union Strike

Tokyo, Nov. 5.
The 62,000-member Japanese-
US Garrison Workers Union
(ZENCHURO) went for a four-
hour nationwide strike today to
press for protective measures
following the expected loss of
jobs when the US forces with-
draw from Japan.—United
Press.

Our London Correspondent

David
T. K. Wong
Describes
Them

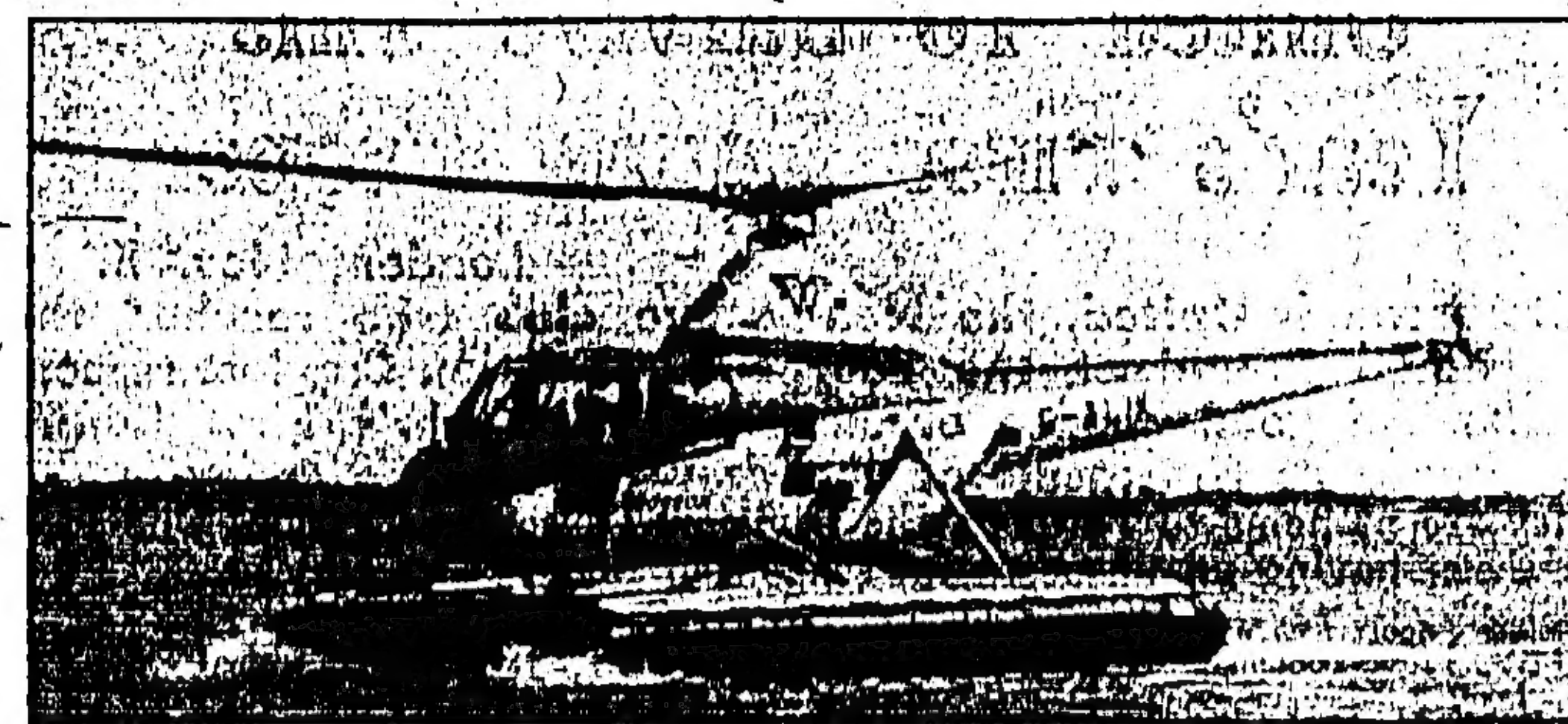
As a passenger vehicle, the
Widgeon has standard up-
holstered seating for four adults,
three seated side-by-side in the
rear of the cabin and one along-
side the pilot in the front.

Observation

The cabin has large obser-
vation type windows and doors
on either side and is sound-
proofed to enable audible con-
versation without strain during
flight. The length of the cabin
is six feet three inches and the
floor width is three feet ten
inches. The height from floor
to roof is four feet three inches.

For rescue operations the
Widgeon is fitted with a hy-
draulically-operated winch
hoist located outside the cabin
side of the cockpit, thus en-
abling winching operations to
be controlled by the pilot and
making the presence of an ad-
ditional crewman unnecessary.

The winch is suitable for
rescue with various types of
harness as well as with the
scoop net and it is stressed to



The Westland Widgeon helicopter taxiing along a lake in England. Hongkong's two helicopters will be similar to this one.

hoist three adults simultane-
ously. It is also suitable for use
as an aerial crane. The Widgeon
can carry up to half a ton of
freight.

An for ambulance work, the
cabin of the Widgeon can be
converted to that use in the
record time of four minutes.
This is achieved by the removal
of the triple rear seats and the
transfer of the port side front
seat to a position behind the
pilot for use by a medical
attendant.

Important

Accommodation is then pro-
vided for two stretchers, one
above the other, positioned
lengthways in the cabin. They
can be loaded through a door
on the port side of the nose and
are held in position by inserting
the carrying handles of the

stretchers into holes provided in
the rear wall of the cabin and
by rings in the front of it.
An important and exclusive
feature to be noted is that the
stretchers provided are the
standard General Service type,
thus obviating the need to
transfer patients from one type
to another.

Power for the helicopter is
provided by the Alvis Leonides
521/1 engine, which is mounted
in the centre section of the
fuselage with the crankshaft
vertical. The nine-cylinder
engine is air-cooled and it
develops 515 BHP at 3000
r.p.m.

Provision has been made on
the two Widgeons coming to
Hongkong to enable them to be
equipped with floats so they
may also be able to land
on the sea should this be
desired.

A HILARIOUS COMEDY 'FULL OF LIFE'

I HAVE no quarrel at all
with the advertisers
when they say "Full of
Life" now showing at the
King's and Princess, is
hilarious. I go with them
all the way. Their slogan,
"that babies still come in
the old fashioned way," is
fair enough. But whether
it is the subject for public
amusement is a matter of
opinion, where your opinion
is quite as good and may be
better than mine.

There are some good per-
formances, and one really out-
standing one from Salvatore
Baccaloni, but there are one or
two scenes that I considered in-
bad taste.

Mind you, I'm not squeamish.
On the contrary, those who
know me will tell you I like a
good joke with the rest. But
somehow, to sit in a theatre
along with a crowd and see
something that offends some is
not my idea of a joke.

All it is, if you want to know,
is the old gag, "Just in time, or
born in the vestry."

Legally, the lady is in plenty
of time, but according to the
Catholic Church which regards
marriage as a sacrament, the



Richard Conte and Judy Holliday prepare for an expected
heir in the hilarious comedy, "Full of Life", opening today
at King's and Princess.

He reminds me so many of us
of that relation who is simply un-
impressed by what we call
"keeping up with the Joneses."

It is a heart-warming per-
formance, which somehow seems
to say that an honest, simple life
is the happy life. "The mischief
is, it does not last."

I enjoyed those aspects of the
film where Salvatore breaks
down all our modern complex
reason by placing his finger on
the rejected corner-stone of all
our reasoning.

Salvatore Baccaloni could be-
gin a new career on this one
performance, and a career that
could surpass the great career
he enjoyed at the Metropolitan
Opera House.

"Full of Life" is full of fun
plus a few tears.

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parents are not truly married.
And as one parent was a former
Catholic to ensure peace of mind
with the approaching event, the
couple solemnise their marriage
in the church.

The picture introduces many
subjects some people feel
strongly upon. Birth control,
the Sanctity of Motherhood,
mixed marriages, and so on.
Now having looked at the
subject into which I introduce a
little opinion, let us look at the
picture objectively.

As a comedy, it is Judy
Holliday, teams with Richard
Conte and Judy gives a nice
performance in displaying all
those eccentricities an expectant
mother is assumed to display;
while Conte answers with all
the expectation of a mere male
who has to keep the home going.

I think many will join me in
saying however, that for sheer
acting Salvatore Baccaloni walks
away with the picture.

RADIO Hongkong

5.30 p.m., Evening Serenade, 6 Time
Signal, Lucky Dip, 6.55 Weather
Report, 7 Time Signal, 7.15
London, 7.30 News, 7.45
London, 8.00 Two places play
Strauss, 8.30 The Song Is Over.
A programme of songs that have
stood the test of time: 8.45 Edmundo
Ros and his Orchestra with Inez del
Carmen, 9.30 Opera and Ballet, 9.55
Weather Report, 10 Time Signal,
News and Home News from Britain;
11.15, Wednesday Theatre: "Invitation
to Murder" by Adrian Allington.
Cast: Sir Charles Darnley, Hugh
Manning, Janet (his wife), Joan
Sunderland, Captain (retired), William
Fox, 10.15, Strings of the Pittsburgh
Symphony Orchestra, 10.40, Book at
your leisure, "Pace Me in a
Boat" by Jerome K. Jerome, Part 3—
Read by David Lettice, 10.55, Weather
Report, 11 Time Signal, Radio
Nowhere, 11.15, Arthur Rubinstein
plays Chopin Nocturnes, 11.30, Close
Down.

REDIFFUSION

9 p.m., Wednesday Concert: "String
Trio in D Major" (Scherzo), Op. 8,
by Beethoven—John Kendall
(Violin), Frederick Kiddo (Viola),
Anthony Pitt (Cello). Unfinished
Symphony by Schubert, Antal
Dorati, Conductor, Chicago
Symphony Orchestra, 4 Tea for
Two, 4.30, Strictly Instrumental,
5, Children's Corner—Presented by
Auntie Ray, 5.20, Betty's
Requests—Presented by Betty,
Melodious Musicale, 6.25, Birthday
Mailings, 6.30, Dick Burgess Show,
6.45, Story of Jan Armitage, 7 Time
Signal, the News, 7.30, Weather
Report, 7.45, Shop Fields Show, 7.50,
Eddie Fisher with Axel Stordahl's
Orchestra, 7.55, Billy May and his
Orchestra, 8, Personality Parade—
Elvis Presley, 8.15, Tops in Popular
Music presented by Nick Kendall,
8.30, Diamond Music Show, 9,
Edwaling Archib, 9.30, "To Let—A
serial" from "The Forsyte Saga".
Episode 2, 10, The Pigalle Players,
10.20, One Night Stand, 11, Date
with Dreamland, 11.30, Prelude to
Midnight, 12, God Save The
Queen, Close Down.

TELEVISION

8 p.m., Children's Hour—Cartoons;
8.15, Puppet Theatre, 8.30, The
Adventure of Kit Carson, 9, Close
Down, 9.15, News, 9.30, Close
Down, 9.45, News, 10, Cantonese
Film—"A Girl and The Car" (Part
2), 10.30, Douglas Fairbanks Presents
"Headline Vienna", 10.55, Science
Fiction Theatre: Chinese Feature
Film—"First Love", 11, Late Night
Final—News, Headlines, Weather
Report and Announcements, Close
Down.

SMUGGLING DIAMONDS

Rio de Janeiro, Nov. 5.
Smuggling has knocked the
bottom out of the Brazilian
diamond-cutting industry which
once employed 15,000 skilled
workmen in 860 factories, trade
circles said today.

Informed sources said the
operation has gone almost
entirely underground and not a
single diamond has been ex-
ported from this country
legally since 1952.—United
Press.

SHIPPING

HUGE MARINE OIL TERMINAL

Los Angeles.
Well over US\$2,000,000 will
be spent by the Port of
Los Angeles to prepare
the way for a huge new
marine oil loading
terminal that will accom-
modate the world's
largest super-tankers.

According to General Manager
Bernard J. Caughlin, the Los
Angeles Board of Harbour Com-
missioners this week awarded
two contracts: 1 for a major
dredging job to cost
US\$1,470,000 and 2 for building
a dike at the pier site for
US\$639,117.

Work will start within two
months on dredging a fairway
from the breakwater entrance
to the dock site on the San
Pedro side of the harbour.

SPECIFICATIONS

Specifications call for the re-
moval of 1,400,000 cubic yards
of earth from the Outer Har-
bour's bottom to form a
channel 600 feet wide and 45
feet deep with a turning basin
1,200 feet in diameter in front
of the pier.

The second contract for a
dike involves the use of about
800,000 cubic yards of earth
dredged up from the fairway.
The remaining 500,000 cubic
yards will go into reclamation
work of nearby Cabrillo Beach.

"Still to be awarded," said
Caughlin, is the contract for
building a 900-foot-long pier,
Dolphins (mooring spurs) 100
feet outboard from the pier will
give an over-all docking length
of 1100 feet.

Pipe and pumping systems
and a tank farm are also to be
installed before the facility goes
into operation around January
1959.

"When completed, our new,
up-to-the-minute oil terminal
will be available to any super-
tanker—including the largest
built in service—calling at the
Port of Los Angeles," General
Manager Caughlin promised.

TRAWLER HAS LATEST ELECTRIC AIDS

London.
Technicians of Marconi
Marine have fitted a com-
prehensive range of com-
munications equipment
and radio aids to fishing
and navigation on board
the new trawler "Arctic
Ranger".

Built at Boverley by Cook,
Wellton and Gemmell Ltd., for
Boyd Line Ltd., of Hull, the
new trawler employs a high-
power transmitter with two
receivers for medium and high-
frequency radiotelephony, and
for long-range radiotelephony
on intermediate or high
frequencies.

An unusual feature in this
type of vessel is the provision
of speech inversion equipment
which ensures absolute secrecy
when her powerful transmitter
is being used for radiotelephony.

ROTATING LOOP

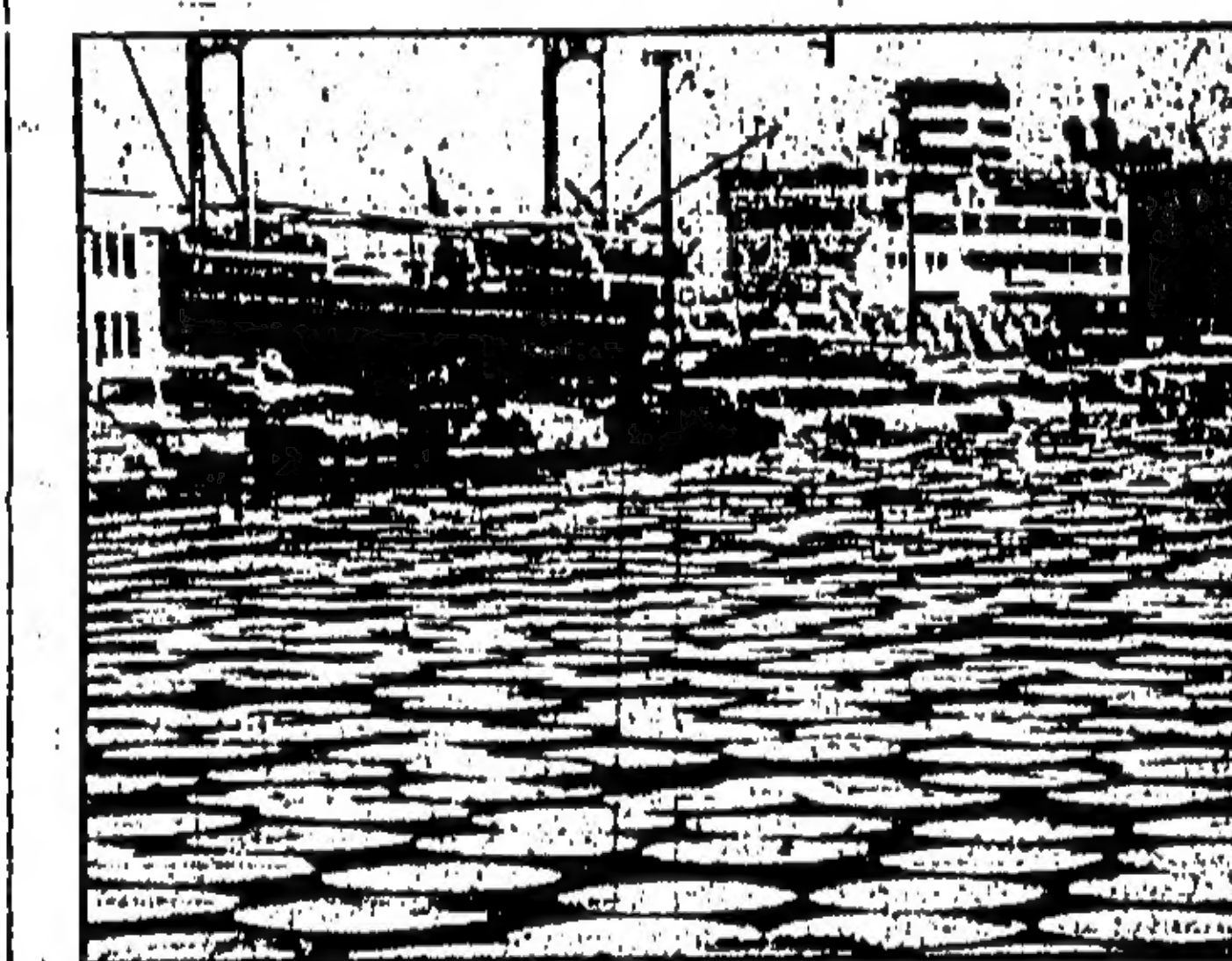
A transmitter and receiver
are also provided for duplex
working on ship-to-shore and
ship-to-ship calls. A separate
receiver can be used with a
rotating loop aerial for "snag"
bearings, while long-range
bearings for navigational use
are provided.

The radar chosen for the
"Arctic Ranger" is the powerful
Radioecator IV and this will
later be fitted with Marconi
radar track indicator equipment.
A receiver is also fitted for
the reception of broadcast pro-
grammes and remote loud-
speakers and "talk-back"
facilities enable orders to be
passed to and acknowledged
from all working areas.

ECHO FISHING

The latest Marconi Marine
echo fishing equipment has been
installed including a Fishgraph
recording echometer and a
Fishscope cathode ray auxiliary
display unit.

The Fishgraph is designed for
fishing and employing new
techniques which enable shoals
near the bottom to be dis-
tinguished from the seabed
echo. The Fishscope can be
used to survey any ten fathom
section of water by setting a
cursor to the appropriate depth
on the Fishgraph record.



Oil comes in and goes out of the Port of Los Angeles in all
possible forms. Here, for example, is a record shipment of
drum oil about to be loaded for delivery in Brazil.

WARNING ON PILOTAGE

LONDON.
The tendency of masters of
some ships owned by nation-
alised industries and of other
ships exempted from compul-
sory pilotage to do without
ships pilots may result in
serious risks to the vessels and
port installations if it increases.

This warning was given to
the conference of the British
Pilots' Association in London
by Mr David Perry, a River
Thames Trinity House pilot. He
suggested that the Association
should press for nationalised
ships to employ a pilot in
future.

The conference passed a re-
solution expressing "concern at
the increasing number of mis-
tows of exempt vessels, and in
particular those belonging to
nationalised undertakings, do-
ing their own pilotage at the
expense of pilots in general, the
result of which can only
eventually add to the expense
of the owners of vessels which
are subject to compulsory
pilotage."

TURBINE SHIP

Bremen, Oct. 23.
A 750-ton gas turbine-
powered fishing boat, the
"Sagitta", was launched today.
It is the first time that a gas
turbine has been used to propel
a fishing boat.

The turbine was manufac-
tured by the French Fesluna
Company. Gas for its operation
is furnished by a heavy oil
burner.—France-Press.

GIANT TANKER IS LAUNCHED

London.
The first 34,500 d.w. ton
tanker to be launched for the
BP Tanker Company has gone
down the slipway at Swan
Hunter and Wigham Richar-
son Limited's yard at Wallsend-
on-Tyne. The vessel is named
British Architect.

She has an overall length of
683 feet and a breadth of 80
feet. Her single screw driven
by steam turbines, will give her
a loaded service speed of 15½
knots. There is air-conditioned
accommodation for a crew of
69.

The biggest tankers at present
in the BP Tanker Company's
fleet are of 32,000 d.w. tons but
tankers up to 65,000 d.w. tons
are on order.

35 BRITISH SHIPS LOST IN 1956

London.
Thirty-five British registered
power-driven merchant ships,
totalling 30,707 gross tons, were
lost in 1956, according to a re-
cent British Ministry of Trans-
port return. Fishing vessels are
not included.

The figures for 1955 were 21
ships (25,392 gross tons).
The gross tonnage lost by
foundering last year was 12,930,
over 40 per cent of the total,
and, apart from the war years,
the highest since 1929.
Twenty-one ships (121,563
gross tons) of over 100 gross
tons were seriously damaged—
about 8 per cent less than in
1955, but higher than in each
of the previous three years.

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BOY DIES IN CITY FIRE

Houses Destroyed In Sudden Blaze CAUSE UNKNOWN

A four-year-old boy was burnt to death in a fire which nearly destroyed three four-storey buildings in Centre Street shortly after 9 a.m. today.

The fire started on the first floor of No. 11 and spread to the two adjoining houses. Only the ground floors, which are shops, were saved.

Though the fire spread rapidly, the occupants of the other floors had sufficient time to rush to safety before the wooden floor boards were enveloped in flames.

The boy was on a verandah and, according to neighbours, was crying for help when he was overcome by the smoke. The heat was so intense that on-lookers on the opposite side of the narrow street had to retreat.

Salt Water

Traffic along Des Voeux Road West was disrupted as water was pumped from the sea.

More than 100 persons were believed to be homeless.

The cause of the fire is still unknown.

Although the shops on the ground floors escaped destruction the merchandise were partially ruined by water.

Man Detained

A man is being detained by the Police following the theft of some money from a pedestrian in Carpenter Road yesterday.

The Police have detained another Chinese suspected of having stolen a fountain pen from the pocket of a pedestrian in Fenwick Street on Sunday.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"It's kind of funny, you calling about accident insurance—my wife drove me downtown today!"

POSSESSION OF HEROIN ALLEGED

A 40-year-old broker, Cheng Loung-tung, was charged with possession of 19.6 ounces of heroin before Judge K. R. Macfarlane in the Victoria Court this morning.

Chief Insp. C. L. Smith said the Police raided the rear portion of 25 Morrison Hill Road, third floor, on October 17, and found the accused, who identified himself as the principal tenant of the house. Later he disappeared, while the Police was inside an empty cubicle.

Evidence would be given as to how the accused was arrested in the street, and taken back to the scene where the drugs were found, the prosecution said.

The accused pleaded not guilty through his Counsel, Miss Irene Ngan, of Messrs M. K. Lam and Co.

FAST PACE

Detective Sergeant Lui Lok, attached to CID Eastern Police Station, said he saw the accused descending the staircase at a very fast pace, and after questioning him, took the accused back to the house where he admitted having in his possession a few ounces of heroin.

After searching underneath the accused's bed, two shoe boxes were found containing heroin, wrapped in small packets. Later another bag was discovered, also containing heroin.

Cross examined, Lui said the accused did tell him that he had a few ounces of drugs. Hearing is proceeding.

AUSTRALIA WANTS DUTCH IN WEST NEW GUINEA

Port Moresby, Nov. 5. Australian Territories Minister, Mr Paul Hasluck, said here today he hoped the Dutch would remain in West New Guinea "for a long while."

"I think the future of the peoples of the whole of New Guinea will be best served by co-operation between Australia and the Dutch," he said. He was speaking to Reuters at the airport.

Mr Hasluck arrived here today in a special Royal Australian Air Force plane to meet the Netherlands Minister for Overseas Territories, Mr C. Holders, who is due to arrive here on November 8 from Dutch New Guinea.

Mr Hasluck will accompany Mr Holders to Australia on November 8.

The Governor of Netherlands New Guinea, Dr J. Van Baal, will be with Mr Holders and will later spend eight days touring Papua and Australian New Guinea with Administrator Brigadier D. M. Cleland Downey.

Mr Hasluck said he had no formal programme of discussions with Mr Holders while in Port Moresby, but would hold informal discussions with him on common problems.—Reuters.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Guy Fawkes

(To the Editor, China Mail)
Sir—Your correspondent on this subject may be correct in stating that this "guy" was a Yorkshireman but surely he was a black sheep in a County so renowned for playing "the game" and how could he have been a real Englishman? Does your correspondent not realise that the "Red Rose" connotes a real Englishman?
LANCASTRIAN.

Snatching

An unidentified Chinese snatched a purse from a waitress of the Lai Chi Koo Prison while she was walking in Junction Road yesterday morning.

A woman pedestrian, while walking in Reclamation Street yesterday, discovered that her inner jacket pocket had been cut and a sum of money stolen.

GUY FAWKES NIGHT

FEUD WITH GUARDS OVER

Windsor, Nov. 5. A feud here between the Grenadier Guards and local children came to an end tonight in a blaze of fireworks.

The trouble began when the children found their huge bonfire set alight prematurely a week ago. They blamed the Guards—and their angry demonstrations made front-page headlines.

The Guards denied the charges but, as a gesture of goodwill, they put on a spectacular fireworks display for the children tonight on the barrack square.

Fireworks night—which commemorates the day Guy Fawkes tried to blow up Parliament with gunpowder—started quietly in London because of the wet weather.

WARMED UP

But things soon warmed up. By late tonight, the London Fire Brigade had answered more than 300 calls because of bonfire blazes.

A students' fireworks spree in Trafalgar Square led to trouble with the police. A policeman in Chelsea had a fireworks thrown at him and was taken to hospital with severe burns. Later it was learned that 88 people had been charged at two police stations in the heart of London with offences arising from the festivities.

In Sheffield, Yorkshire, 18 children were given hospital treatment for burns following Guy Fawkes night parties. —China Mail Special.

Furs Stolen

Three fur jackets, valued at \$3,700 were stolen from the Siberian Fur Store in Des Voeux Road Central yesterday morning.

MAIL Notices

The latest times of posting shown below are those for unregistered correspondence posted at G.P.O., Hongkong. The latest posting times elsewhere which, in general, are earlier than the G.P.O. times can be ascertained by enquiry at the local office. The latest posting times for registered articles are generally one hour earlier than the times shown below. Particulars regarding parcel mails can be ascertained by enquiry at any post office.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6
By Air
Hawaii, U.S.A., Canada, 6 p.m.
Formosa, 10 p.m.
By Surface
Indonesia, 2 p.m.
Japan, 3 p.m.
Macao, 5 p.m.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7
By Air
Peking, Shanghai, Hankow, Kwantung, 7 a.m.
Thailand, 8 a.m.
Japan, 9 a.m.
Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, Ceylon, India, Pakistan, Africa, Great Britain & Europe, Noon.
Philippines, Noon.
U.S.A., 6 p.m.
Thailand, Burma, India, 6 p.m.
Cambodia, Malaya, 5 p.m.
By Surface
China, People's Republic, 7 a.m.
Thailand, 9 a.m.
India, Iraq, P. Gulf, Far East direct, Noon.
Macao, 1 p.m.
North Borneo, Rabaul, 3 p.m.
Formosa, 10 p.m.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8
By Air
Formosa, Japan, Okinawa, Korea, 11 a.m.
Hawaii, U.S.A., 1 p.m.
Indo-China, France, 1 p.m.
Philippines, Australia, New Zealand, 2 p.m.
Thailand, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe, 6 p.m.
Formosa, 6 p.m.
Indonesia, 11 a.m.
Hawaii, 6 p.m.
By Surface
China, People's Republic, 7 a.m.
Macao, 1 p.m.
Ceylon, India (Maha via Bombay), 2 p.m.
Malaya (W. Australia, Parrels via Fremantle), 2 p.m.
Indonesia, 3 p.m.
Thailand, 4 p.m.
Macao, 5 p.m.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9
By Surface
China, People's Republic, 7 a.m.
Macao, 1 p.m.
U.S.A., Canada, 6 p.m.
P. East Africa, S. Africa, Brazil (Argentina, Parrels direct), Noon.
Philippines, Noon.
Macao, 1 p.m.
North Borneo, Rabaul, 3 p.m.
By Air
East Africa (N. & S. Rhodesia, Nyasaland, Parrels via Beira), 3 p.m.
Malaya, Egypt, Italy (Netherlands & Germany, Parrels direct), 4 p.m.
North Borneo, 4 p.m.
Australia, New Zealand, 5 p.m.
China, People's Republic, 6 p.m.
Macao, 6 p.m.

Over 260 Doctors Want Exam

The Director of Medical and Health Services confirmed today that he had received a petition from a group of Chinese unregistered doctors expressing their views on the difficulties of the proposed examination.

Dr G. Graham-Cumming told the China Mail this morning that the petition was signed by about 260 persons not registrable with the Medical Council in Hongkong and among them were nine who had also signed their intention of availing themselves of the opportunity of obtaining the necessary qualification for registration.

But, he said, a greater number had sent in their names expressing their intention of taking the examination.

Since the appearance on October 23 of the formal notification that such an examination might be held, more than 260 doctors trained in China and other parts of the world but not registrable in Hongkong, had expressed their wish to take the examination.

MORE EXPECTED

Dr Graham-Cumming thought many more would be sending in their names before the time was up on November 9.

The Director said that he was unable to say how many unregistered doctors were now residing in the Colony as at this moment he was trying to find out how many would like to take the examination.

Asked about the standard of the examination, Dr Graham-Cumming said the test would have to be of a high standard and the basic knowledge of medicine.

"It's got to be up to the standard," he said, "because once any of them passes the examination, he is free to practise in Hongkong or any part of the Commonwealth."

BASIC KNOWLEDGE

Dr Graham-Cumming explained that the examination would be on basic knowledge of medicine only.

A specialist would not be required to take any special examination, he said.

Dr Graham-Cumming added that the examination itself was the responsibility of a certain body in the United Kingdom, working in conjunction with Hongkong.

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From the Files 25 years AGO

DIAMONDS, rubies, jade and opals set in rings and brooches were stolen from the residence of Mr W. G. Goggin, the Peak, between midnight and 8.45 a.m. yesterday. The total value of the missing jewellery is \$1,540. The discovery was made by Mr Goggin who immediately telephoned for the police. Inspector Chester Woods took charge of the case and into the afternoon caused a warrant to be issued for the arrest of one of Mr Goggin's servants, who disappeared during the night.

From the local Italian Consulate has been received a pamphlet setting out in some detail the foreign policy of Signor Mussolini. It is printed in English and clearly summarizes the various statements that have been made in connection with the Italian policy on disarmament and other major topics of an international character.

MR J. T. Bagram was elected President of the Hongkong Horticultural Society at the annual meeting held in Messrs Jardine and Matheson's board room yesterday afternoon. President, Mr J. T. Bagram; Vice-President, Mrs R. M. Dyer; Hon. Treasurer, Mr Andrew Tse; Hon. Secretary, Mr D. L. Davies; and General Committee, Mrs R. E. Hoare, Mrs F. C. Hall, Lt-Col T. A. Robertson, Dr G. A. C. Herkules, Messrs H. Green, Ho Kim Tong, Ho Leung, J. P. Robinson, F. W. Stapleton, V. H. C. Jarrett, and Lt-Col G. T. Rakles.

A fire which occurred early yesterday morning in Cheung Street, Taiipo, damaged the third floor of a three-storey building. After an hour's fight, the flames were extinguished. The damage is estimated at \$400.

ACCIDENTALLY injuring two farmers while shooting pheasants at Pinghu, Chekiang, 60 miles from Shanghai, two Shanghai British residents, Messrs C. L. Martin, of A.P.C. and his brother, J. O. L. Martin, a Texaco Company employee are being detained by the Chinese authorities. The farmers are in hospital but are not seriously injured.

As from yesterday the express train service between Kowloon and Canton is being speeded up, the journey from Canton being covered in three hours and eight minutes. This new speed cuts down the old time by a quarter of an hour.

THE body of a Chinese, about 35 years of age, was found by a policeman in Tit Hong Lane, near the Central Market, yesterday morning, under circumstances suggesting murder. The man had a gash on his forehead and other wounds. A woman and two men living in the vicinity were later detained for enquiries.

The Shanghai Championa Sweepstake is meeting with its customary success and the first two prizes are each assured of \$100,000. The tickets already sold now exceed 73,000 and it is expected that the total will reach 90,000 before the closing date.

ALMOST coinciding with the arrival in Hongkong yesterday of the cruiser Primrose, the flagship of the French Commander-in-Chief, a large Fokker monoplane swooped down at Kai Tak Aerodrome making a perfect landing at 12.20 p.m. The machine is a tri-motored F7B type monoplane, is one of the largest that has ever visited Hongkong.

For three days Hongkong has been at war with a make-believe enemy. While the civilian population has gone about its business and pleasure, blissfully unaware of the sudden cessation of peace-time conditions, our forts have been manned, anti-aircraft defences have been brought into operation, and every detail of military procedure has been functioning. All this is to test the defensive measures taken to protect the Colony in times of actual war.

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